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The following centennial proposal is certified as eligible for Centennial Challenge funding consideration in fiscal year 2008. Funding for the Centennial Challenge requires legislation.

Restore, Preserve and Interpret the Elkmont Historic District

Location: Tennessee

Partner(s): Friends of the Smokies, Great Smoky Mountains Association Partner Website: www.friendsofthesmokies.org, www.smokiesstore.org

Total Cost: \$400,000 Proposal # 137560

Summary: An Environmental Impact Statement/General Management Plan Amendment is underway to determine the management of 74 cottages and outbuildings located in the Elkmont District. The Agency Preferred Alternative called for restoration and preservation of 19 structures, including the Appalachian Clubhouse, to be available for public visitation, restoration of the Appalachian Clubhouse as an educational venue and for public use as a gathering space, and development of a variety of interpretive media to tell the story of the district's history. A final EIS and Record of Decision are expected late winter 2008. Once the Agency Preferred Alternative is finalized, funding would be used for removal of the noncontributing structures and required documentation, to create and implement a stabilization plan for remaining buildings, and develop an interpretive plan for exhibit materials.

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The Appalachian Club House.